

Getting Up In The World



Pointing up the chimney at our Marshall Street Plant consists of replacing the mortar which has been worn away from between the bricks by the elements.

The chimney is 18 feet in diameter and 65 feet in circumference at the base. It is 165 feet high and 12 feet in diameter at the top and is constructed of hollow tile brick with a regular brick facing.

The contract for this work is let to H. R. Heinecke of Indianapolis, Indiana, and the job is being done by L. O. Wilkie and Everett Noll. Mr. Wilkie who has been doing this kind of work since he was thirteen years old is from Indiana, is married and takes his wife with him from job to job. Mr. Noll is from Boston, and has been engaged in this work for four years.

This is dangerous work in which every move counts. As we can see by the picture, there is no railing on the staging and neither man wears a safety belt or rope. A cable $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch in diameter and 65 feet long with wooden block spacers is put around the chimney

and tightened at the ladder with a turnbuckle. Then the brackets which have a hook on them are hung on the cable and the boards which are 7 feet long, 10 inches wide and 1 inch thick are placed on top of the brackets. They are then tied or lashed to the brackets and cable by a rope which is attached at all times to the bracket.

A second cable is used to help the men go further up the chimney when they have finished the work they are able to reach. Two spare brackets are on hand and are used each time they ascend to a higher level. These are used to start a new staging. All mortar is mixed and all work of getting it up and that of moving the staging is done by just two men.

It takes about thirty minutes to move the staging from one level to another and about three moves are made a day — a distance of 21 to 23 feet up. The 10 foot ladders are all interlocking and are wired to the lightning rod cable.

Al Horsfall

Fishing Contest Opens

Well, at last your editors are announcing another fishing contest to officially begin with the printing of this issue of the *Log*, May 15th. You must forgive us for the delay because we have usually found ourselves only on the other end of a frying pan as far as fish are concerned.

The rules governing the contest will be very similar to those of last year, as will the prizes. However, we are going to repeat all the information just in case we have some new "Isaac Waltons" among the employees.

The contest will run until October 31, 1948, and the judges will be Fred Powers at Brown Street, Bob Boyer at Marshall Street, and Bill Brundige at the Beaver Street Plant.

To enter your catch in this contest, have your fish weighed and measured by one of these three Plant judges, and at the time you will fill out an entry blank stating **when** the fish was caught, **kind** of lure used, **time** of day, weather, etc. This latter information will be compiled at the end of the season and should be both interesting, and of great benefit to any new fishermen.

The prizes, as we said, will be poles, reels, line, landing nets, etc. They will be awarded at the end of the season to winners in each class.

Class of Fish

We are adding one additional class of fish, the white perch, this year which will mean there will be ten kinds of fish that will be eligible for entry. The list is as follows:

- Trout—brook or native, brown and rainbow.
- Bass—large mouth, small mouth
- Pickereel
- Northern Pike
- Perch—white and yellow
- Bullheads

RULES OF CONTEST

1. Weight—dressed, leaving on head and tail.
2. All fish must be weighed on official scales at your respective Plant in the presence of one of the judges.

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Berkshire Symphony In Annual Spring Concert

Music lovers and those interested in music will have an opportunity to hear the Berkshire Community Symphony Orchestra in its annual spring concert on May 17, at 8:15 in Chapin Hall, Williamstown. This concert will be the last one directed by Mr. Joaquin Nin-Culmell of Williams College until the fall of 1949. He is taking a year's leave of absence to become Visiting Professor of Music at the University of California next year.

The Berkshire Symphony Orchestra is truly a community project since it represents a combination of the Sprague Electric and the Williams College Orchestras plus many other musicians from surrounding towns. The musicians hold various degrees of musical knowledge — some professional, some semi-professional and some amateur. The high degree of attendance at rehearsals is attributed to the fact that transportation is paid for out of concert funds. There are no paid players from outside to fill in any gaps; in other words, the group is self-sufficient. They are building up a library of good music and a supply of instruments which they lend to interested persons; orchestra members are available for instruction in these instruments. They always play from original transcriptions — not revamped copy. While their main objective is to "make music" in the form of a concert, the pleasure derived from the twelve rehearsals required for each concert is the motivating force behind them.

The Berkshire Community Symphony Orchestra, which is sponsored by Sprague Electric Company, has recently been admitted to membership in the American Symphony Orchestra League.

The League is an organization composed of the leading community symphony orchestras of the United States. The National Association of Civic Orchestras was founded in 1942 for the purpose of bringing into closer relationship the orchestra conductors, their presidents and business managers. It offers a liaison service between orchestras and professional management for promotion of young talent and a clear-

ing center service for orchestras and conductors.

The Berkshire Symphony Orchestra has been cited in the INTER-ORCHESTRA BULLETIN, published by the week, as being one of the outstanding community symphonies in New England and represents a fine example of good music sponsored by Industry.

Many of us are about Music as we are about Art. We know when we like a thing but we do not know why. The following explanation of what a symphony orchestra really is may help us to find ourselves:

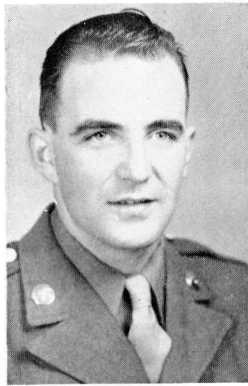
"A Symphony Orchestra is a combination of four groups of instruments—the strings, the wood-wind, the brass and the battery. All of the instruments have their turn as soloists, but, in general, the strings, wood-wind and brass each form a *choir* for complete harmony, corresponding to the registers of singing voices. The Viols (strings bowed) are the *chorus*, the general foundation of the Orchestra, multiplied in the parts to balance the weight of the wind instruments: First Violins, *soprano*; Second Violins, *mezzo-soprano*; Violas, *alto* and *tenor*; Violoncellos, *baritone* and *bass*; Double basses, *bass*. The Wood-Wind contribute tone "color" or variety: Flute, *coloratura soprano*; Piccolo, *high soprano*; Oboe, *lyric soprano*; English Horn *alto* and *tenor*; Clarinet, *dramatic soprano*, *alto* and *tenor*; Bassoon and Bass Clarinet, *baritone* and *bass*. The Brass sustain the harmony and furnish power: Trumpet, *soprano*; French Horn, *alto* and *baritone*; Trombone, *tenor* and

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The Berkshire Symphony Orchestra will give its spring concert at Chapin Hall, Williamstown on May 17

Former Sprague Employee



The funeral for Private Robert B. Dame who was killed in action in France, August 15, 1944 was held Thursday, April 29th in Williamstown.

Private Dame, before entering service in September 1943, was a supervisor in the Paper Assembly Department here at the Sprague Electric Company. Following basic training at Camp Croft, S. C. he went overseas in March, 1944. He was a veteran of the Italian campaign, in which he was twice wounded and awarded the Purple Heart. Later he was sent to France, where he was killed fighting with an infantry battalion.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bertha Dame of Williamstown, a former employee here, by his daughter Sandra Elizabeth, and by his mother, Mrs. Lawrence Shambau of Clarksburg, who works in the Resistor Department.

Concert Notes

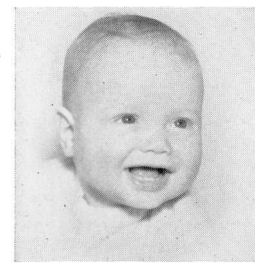
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bass: Tuba, *bass.* The Battery or Percussion simply rhythmic accentuation, emphasis and climax: Harmony instruments—Harp, Pianoforte, Organ and Celesta fill the roll of *accompanist*. The Conductor is the instructor and coach at rehearsals, the reminder at concerts; in the higher sense, he is the interpreter of the composer's ideas."

The program will consist of "Symphony No. 25" by Mozart, "L'Italiana in Algeri" by Rossini, "Symphony No. 4" by Tchaikowsky and "The Emperor Waltz" by Strauss.

Overseas Children Aid

The Massachusetts drive for its quota in the Crusade for Children of American Overseas Aid—United Nations Appeal for Children will be held from May 10 to June 10. Seeking to raise \$60,000,000 nationally, the Crusade is asking \$2,500,000 from the people of this Commonwealth.



Charles Hartwig, seven months old, son of Rita of Paper Rolling.

To Open New Plant

It was recently announced that the Sprague Electric Company is to open a small plant in Nashua, New Hampshire. This "plant" will cover a small section of space in the Anderson Industries building in that city.

Mr. R. C. Sprague, started in making this announcement that this new operation will in no way affect the present operations here in North Adams. Because of the inavailability of female employees in this area during periods of peak operations, and because of the company's effort to balance the ratio of male to female employees in its local plants, this move was felt to be necessary. Operations in Nashua are expected to start on a small scale some time in June, ultimately requiring about 200 female employees.

Fielding Simmons, who has been a foreman at the Sprague plant since his release from the Navy, has been appointed superintendent of the Nashua plant.

Clean Up Campaign

The annual Clean Up Campaign sponsored by the North Adams Chamber of Commerce got underway on Monday, May 10 and will extend through Saturday, May 22.

Everyone is urged to cooperate in every way possible to make this campaign successful in the interest of making our city a more attractive place in which to live and work. The Committee will welcome any suggestions you have to offer and will appreciate your calling the office of the Chamber of Commerce and letting them know any particular spots which you feel should be cleaned up.

This is a good opportunity for us all to show pride and interest in the city. Let's support this effort and assure the sponsors of success!

Mr. Robert O. Wells is Chairman of the Clean Up Committee and Mr. Fred Potter of the Brown Street Plant is a committee member.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. George, Jr. of 127 River Street, are the parents of a son born, Sunday, May 3rd at the North Adams Hospital.

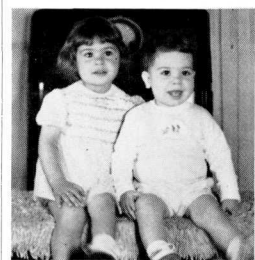
Congratulations are in store for Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abusi who are the parents of a new baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fielding Simmons, Jr. of Hancock Road, Williamstown are the parents of a daughter born April 24th at the North Adams Hospital. Congratulations also go to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scrivens. They are the parents of a bouncing baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Emile Filiault of 108 River Street are the parents of a son born recently at the North Adams Hospital.

On Southern Trip

Mr. Robert Teeple, president of the city council and manager of the Beaver Street Plant, is enjoying a vacation in the south, under orders of his physician, because of his inability to shake off a hard cold which has been with him for weeks. He was accompanied by his son, James.



Anna Marie and Francis, grandchildren of Mary Seerbo of Molded Tubulars Night Shift.

Marshall Music

Maintenance-Marshall Street

By Roy Caron

We welcome the following new members to the gang and hope you will enjoy working with us:

Antoine Choquette with the Carpenter Shop; Thomas Dion—draftsman—formerly with Harry Barschdorf; Charles Lincoln with Maintenance Test—formerly with Harry Barschdorf; Raymond La France with the painters, formerly with Centrifuge at Beaver.

Fireman, Fireman, save my child! Ask Maurice (Baldy) Chonard. He drove the fire to the fire station to have it put out and when they raised the hood, Alas! It was only a little oil on the motor which was smoking. Donations will be gladly accepted to buy a good fire insurance for Maurice.

We welcome back Wallace Daniels of the Millwrights who has been out for two months having an operation. Take it easy, Wall.

D.T.C. Follers

By Roma Rungay

Well, folks, spring is finally here. I am sure because Irene Anton discarded her sweater for two full days, and believe me, that's a sure sign.

Phyllis King has left our department indefinitely to take up home life. We all miss you!

Welcome to our department: Bea Monette, Terry Marcoux, Eva Brown, Bill O'Grady, Mae O'Brien.

Also an extra welcome to Leah Noel who has returned to us once more. If you remember, Leah left us some time ago to go to Arizona. Now she is back with good health and a beautiful tan.

Graduated With Honors

Wallace L. Daniels, son of Wallace D. Daniels of Marshall Street Maintenance, graduated with honors from the New York Institute of Dietetics in New York on May 8.

Marriages

MARUCCO-DUROCHER

Miss Phyllis Mary Durocher and Mr. Joseph Anthony Marucco at Notre Dame Church on April 24. Mrs. Marucco is employed in PAA Soldering.

CAPRARI-MANGANO

Miss Anna Marie Mangano and Mr. Aldo Caprari in St. Anthony's Church on May 1. Mrs. Mangano is in PAA.

SNIEZEK-KOCZELA

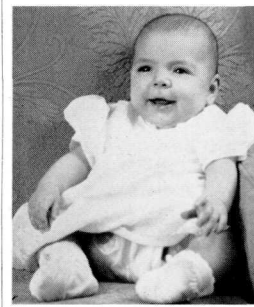
Miss Mildred Ann Koczela and Mr. John P. Sniezek in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church on May 1. The bride is employed in Miscellaneous Paper Finishing.

KRZANIK-DUDA

Miss Cecelia Lucy Duda and Mr. Aldo Andrew Krzanik in St. Francis Church on April 17. Mrs. Krzanik is employed in Resistors.

GEBAUER-JOSEFIK

Miss Celia Theresa Josefik and Mr. Elwin Harry Gebauer in St. Stanislaus Kostka Church on April 17. The bride is an inspector in DTQ at Marshall Street.



Rosary Troia, four months old daughter of Mary of Paper Rolling.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Santelli leaving St. Francis' Church after their wedding on April 19.

Brown Street Briefs

PAA. Assembly

By Rita Samia

The waxing line certainly looks empty since our girls left us to work upstairs. But remember girls, we still want to see you around, as we all miss you very much.

Irene Drobniak is mighty clever with those knitting needles. Honestly, Irene, that certainly was a beautiful outfit you made for your future niece or nephew.

We all miss Bea Hill, and are hoping that she will be back with us real soon.

We hate to see you go, Vinny Matraga, but our loss is their gain.

Wire Coating

By Corena Tatro

How are we going to be able to tell our machine fixers apart? Both are blond and both are called Bill. However, one is a song bird, and if you would like to hear him sing, listen in on station WMNB at 7:45 p.m. on May 11th.

Resistors--Navy Line

By Mary E. Bua

Della Remillard spent a week's vacation at home during the first week in May.

We are glad to have Peg Doherty, Bertha Salavantis and Florina Strange back after being out sick.

The big day is coming fast for Amelia Tash. We'll soon be dancing at your wedding, Amelia.

David Trombley is sporting a very becoming hair style these days. It's that well known "crew cut".

Jennie King is planning a fishing trip with Mr. King. Tell us what you catch, Jennie, and we don't want any "fish tales".

Wanted: A six room apartment in good location for Marguerite Todd.

Congratulations to "Mart" La Bonte on completing her pink sweater. I must confess, Martha, I didn't expect to see it finished until next October.



Christine Dow, daughter of Alea-theabell of Molded Tubulars Night Shift.

Dip Solder and Wrapping Inspection

By Little Iodine

Hobbies are wonderful to have. At one time it was knitting, but now Marie and Mary Ann tell us they're going to write a book, but they haven't made up their minds what it will be about yet. Hurry up, girls, the suspense is terrific.

Mary Ann Trotter spent the weekend in Bridgeport, Connecticut. From what we hear she had a wonderful time.

The girls on our table extend our sympathy to Peggy Daub on the recent loss of her Uncle.

Have you seen the car Evelyn Sherman is sporting around in? It looks like a new one, and they tell us it really runs.

Resistors--Night Shift

By Ann St. Cyr

This is your new reporter taking Vickie LaMore's place. I hope I can do as well as she did.

Jane Martin has returned to work after her vacation and has anyone noticed the smile on Beatrice Asdikian's face? She sure is happy, as we all are, to have Jane back.

Della Caron's daughter, Connie, has accepted a position on the staff of the North Adams Hospital. If she has a disposition like her mother she will get along beautifully.

We are sorry to lose Ikie Bross, Sally Herrington and Mae Lefebvre who has been transferred upstairs. It is lonesome without them but one good thing is they are surely going up in the world.

Terry Champaigne has left us to take an office position and her little sister, Zita, seems lost without her.

Jean Brown spent the weekend with friends in Providence, Rhode Island.

Molded Tubulars--2nd Shift

By Gladys Kirkpatrick

Several of the girls on our shift spent a delightful Saturday evening with their husbands at the Cheshire Inn where they enjoyed the music of the Four Musical Notes and Don Weston at the Hammond Organ. Those attending were: Wanda Scarpitto, Irma Allen, Rachael Montagna, Nellie Mammì, Gladys Kirkpatrick, Betty Busby, Ruth Richmond and friend, and also Frances Rocray who is out on a leave of absence. A grand time was had by all. We should do this more often.

A birthday party was held for Emaline Morin during our rest period April 29th. Eleanor Hall is to be complimented for the delicious cake she brought in for the occasion.

Ralph Kleiner was the most surprised person recently when the girls held a surprise party for him.

Prokar Dept.

By Carol Bellard

Happy Birthday to Dot Whipple, Marceline Poirot and Irene Shepard who celebrated their birthdays April 26th, May 4th, and May 5th respectively.

Doris Tyler who has returned from a month's leave of absence certainly received a nice welcome back.



Guess Who? Works in Paper Rolling.



* Guests at the shower given for Mickey Kozela at the Clarksburg Sportsmen's Club on April 22.

Beaver News

Dry Tubular Assembly

By Sophie Wilk

It is with regret that I see my former co-reporter, Connie Urbano, transferred to another department.

Leo Robinson featured an added attraction recently while drumming with a band. When playing his solo he suddenly toppled over, chair and all. Not only that but he had to contribute to the bank account of the band for sounding an offnote while falling.

Vacations: Clifford Roy—at home. Doris Vallieres—at home.

The Supper Club held its second social and dinner party recently at Fort Massachusetts. During the evening officers were elected as follows: President, Lila Abraham; Secretary, Sophie Wilk and Treasurer, Norma Davignon.

Lila Abraham recently spent a weekend in New York City.

"Dodie" Godfrey looked so charming recently as maid of honor for her aunt.

Dry Tubular Finish

By Marge and Millie

We welcome Rita Johnson back to work after a year's leave of absence. Good to see you back, Rita.

Ann Roy will sure think she is something when that new kitchen is completed. Are we right, Ann?

We understand that in June Isabel Hyndman will be California bound. What draws you out there, Belle?

Millie Clifton has been honored at three showers recently and has received many beautiful and useful gifts for her future home.

What is wrong with fishing this year, Julie Lincoln? Is there a license mixup somewhere?

We welcome Lil Blair into our Department. It is nice to have you here, Lil.

Centrifuge

By Harry Embry

We were sorry to say goodbye to Ray LaFrance and hope he likes his new job at Marshall Street.

Normand Monette spent the past weekend visiting in Lynn.

Jack Sullivan attended a Safety Meeting in Boston recently.

Harvey Vallieres is taking his annual vacation this week.

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale and Dot Mancuso

The gentleman behind that bright shiny new Pontiac is Mr. Clark and, from the broad smile he's wearing, we don't think he is unhappy about it. We wouldn't be.

An item which you may soon see in the engagements column has to do with that beautiful new diamond ring Dotty Mancuso is wearing. Yes, she is wearing it on that important finger, too.

Elaine Goodrich spends some of her evenings now singing in Williamstown. Speaking of our song birds. Did you know Barbara Carpenter sang herself into a picture when the representative for CALLING ALL GIRLS magazine visited Berkshire Hills Junior College at Great Barrington.

Doris Langer spent a weekend shopping and visiting in Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Several of the girls enjoyed a Monday night supper at the Fort.

F. P. Assembly

By Emma Massaconi

Congratulations to Ruth Peterhansel on her fifteenth wedding anniversary. May you have many more of them, Ruth.

And Congratulations to Catherine Coody on her birthday. May you have many more of them.

Welcome to our department, Mrs. Hamilton, Stella Charbonneau and Maria Cuzzaglio.

Stanley Ziaja, didn't your mother tell you you'd have days like this?

Bye, bye, Blackbird, Mickey! Come on, girls, get in the groove.

Our deepest and most sincere sympathy to Mary Roberts on the loss of her husband.

F. P. Dries

By Florence Harris

Pearl Dubreuil spent last weekend in Springfield. By all reports and indications she had a marvelous time.

Terry Worthington visited relatives in Canada for a few days.

The F. P.'s seem to have gone car minded lately. The new, proud possessors are John Pierce, Norman Remillard and Yvonne Griffin.

Jack Faustini, our prospective bridegroom, discovered what a real razzing was the morning he was late for work.

Machine Shop

by Nick Richardello

April 15th marked the opening day of fishing. Of the most fortunate anglers, George Scarbo caught seven beauties and Bill Mausert claims the limit.

Ray Magnoli decided to try his luck at a nearby brook during his lunch hour. All went well for a while until the silence was broken by a huge splash. For a moment it sounded like an avalanche. A friendly co-worker had dropped a boulder into the brook. Ray decided to call off the fishing.

On April 21st, William Barber from North Bennington, a former co-worker, visited the shop, and on April 22nd, Arthur Rowland of Blackinton, another former co-worker stopped in.

On April 21st William Mausert entered the St. Luke's hospital for a serious operation, and we are all glad to hear it was a success. Expect to hear from us soon, Bill.

Best wishes and health to Thomas Francis, one of our coworkers. Still thinking of you, Tommy.

Raymond Bissailon, Sr., father of Ray in the Machine Shop, has returned from the hospital. We all hope for a speedy recovery for your Dad, Ray.

Misc. Paper Assembly

By Ruth Haskins

Wedding bells will ring May 17th for Stacia Wisniowski who will become the bride of Felix Szetela of Adams on that date.

Ann Palmer and Ida Decoteau have returned to work. Both girls have been out on a leave of absence.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Ida Watts who is ill at her home.

Lloyd Bullet and his son enjoyed an early start on the day fishing season opened, and Lloyd displayed 22 trout when he arrived at work.

We all miss Eleanor Underwood who is out on a leave of absence.

Ann Sondrini recently enjoyed a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana where she visited her youngest son and his family.

A few of the boys picked spring flowers during noon hour one Thursday and placed the bouquet on the desk of our clerk, Doris Charon, who gives out the pay checks on that day.

Paper Ignition Assembly

By Esther Driscoll

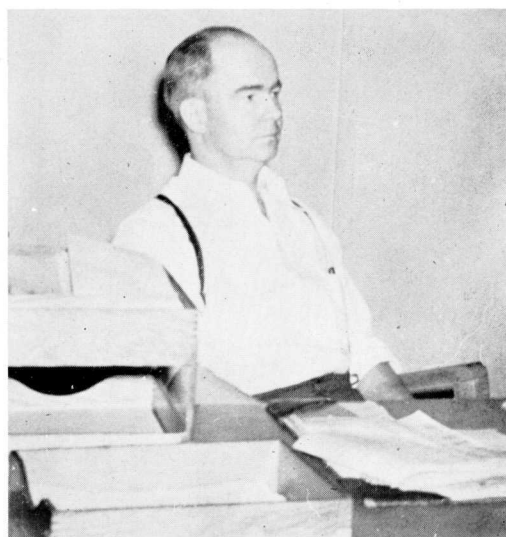
We're glad to have Margaret Fitzgerald back with us after her recent accident.

Welcome to Dorothy Smith — we hope you enjoy working with us.

Dorothy Marlow recently became a grandmother. Her daughter, Pat Lampiasi, gave birth to a daughter recently. Pat was also a former worker in our department.

Alice Kawa celebrated her first anniversary Monday, May 3rd. We hope you have many more happy ones, Alice.

Osiar Contois is a very busy man these days, with moving into his home he recently bought and with making extensive repairs, he never has much time to spare.



Our man of the month, Lewis Cronin, who will be a twenty-year man on May 25.

Lewis Cronin, supervisor of the Industrial Oil Division at Brown Street, is our twenty-year man for this month.

When Lew started working for Sprague's on May 25, 1928, there were only seventeen people employed by the Company in Quincy. One of those seventeen proved to be an important person in the Cronin family because Lew married her.

The Cronins have three children: Alice 17, Elizabeth 15, and James 6. Their household is apparently one of those well-run households we read about in story books. Lew says they all leave home about the same time in the morning, the children for school and the older Cronins for the Brown Street Plant. Since the children get

home first in the afternoon, dinner is usually pretty well under way by the time father and mother arrive.

Lew was born in South Natick, Massachusetts but has traveled all over the country. His wife is from Nova Scotia, and they have had several trips up there where the fishing is good.

Incidentally, hunting and fishing are the things Lew likes to do aside from his work which he says is "always interesting and never monotonous because every day brings some change such as a new design or model." He smiled when he said it so we know he means that he enjoys it.

Before going to Industrial Oil, Lew was in charge of the Impregnating Department at Beaver Street.

Payroll and Cost

By Betty Alderman

We at last had the chocolate cake Eunice promised us even if we did have to go up and get it. The cake was delicious but — where did you get that frosting? Shelly — What a cook you turned out to be!! What a party! When do we get together again?

From Brown Street comes a report that Helen Attala is to start off vacation. Of course we hope that she has time to finish her housecleaning in that time.

We want to wish Evelyn Therrien and Helen Ciepiela belated birthday greetings.

Paper Rolling

By Hubba, Hubba

What's this I hear about Tina Varescki? It seems that lately Tina is receiving plenty of tickets. It doesn't pay to go downtown during lunch, does it, Tina? Do you feel the same way, Vi Scott?

Mary Troia spent a weekend in New York City.

Can Shop

By H. Trombley

Bill Hussey, our song bird and electric guitar player, is just waiting for big time to avail itself before going on the air.

Jimmie Scarbo has gone in for photography, but he tells me his pictures develop blank.

Walt Rogowski has taken up home gardening, but the boys are kidding him as it is only a gag to keep from helping Lena with the housework.

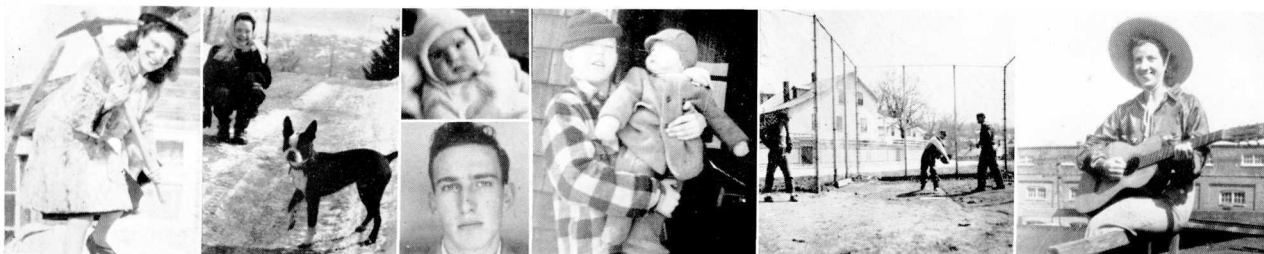
Ray Chalfoux would enjoy his building hobby much more if the saws would only stop breaking.

Ted says that things seemed so awfully quiet around the shop the week of May 2nd.

Pinky Sherman tells me he caught sixteen nice trout in Heartwellville, Vermont on Sunday, May 3rd. (Pinky insists they are legal.)

Larry Daignault says he'll be glad when the housecleaning at home is done. I agree on that point myself.

Joe Spagnolo gets a kick telling about his children trying out their luck on the local radio programs.



Candid Shots of Some Spraguetees - - Left to right: Gert Fields of Molded Tubulars; Mary Lou Roedel, daughter of Kit of Resistors; Frances Marie Downs, daughter of Angie of Molded Tubulars; David Trombley of Resistors; Ronald Hurlbut with nephew Kenny Pettibone, grandmother Elva Hurlbut works in Industrial Oils; Ray Blair, Jr., catcher, son of Ray Blair in Paper Ignition; Mary Dean of Molded Tubulars.

Baseball

As the *Log* goes to press, we have just heard rumors about the details of the Softball League which will open on Monday, May 24th. We have the rough details which we shall pass on to you at this time, but there may be a few minor changes after the meeting of the Committee.

There will be a team from each plant, and one from Maintenance, which means a total of four teams. The company has been fortunate again in procuring the Widen Field in Blackinton which is reported to be in very good shape. These teams will play Monday and Wednesday so as not to conflict with the local city league.

The field will be open to departmental teams on the other evenings, and arrangements can be made for challenge matches by calling Tank Wilson or some member of the Committee. The members of the Committee are as follows: George Roy, C. Sanecki, G. Scarbo, R. McPherson, K. Russell, and P. Mancuso.

Predictions

These are the predictions of the American and National League Baseball standings as predicted by Frank Santelli of the K.V.A.

American League	National League
1. New York	1. New York
2. Cleveland	2. Boston
3. Boston	3. St. Louis
4. Detroit	4. Brooklyn
5. Philadelphia	5. Cincinnati
6. Washington	6. Pittsburgh
7. Chicago	7. Chicago
8. St. Louis	8. Philadelphia

If there are others who would like to submit their predictions please contact your sports editor.

The New tax reductions went into effect for your first paycheck in May. However, if your husband or wife is over 65 or is blind, you may be entitled to additional exemptions. You are also entitled to additional exemptions if you are over 65. Please notify the Personnel Department in either case and they will see that an adjustment is made on your pay check.

At Recent Scout-o-Rama



Left to right, standing: Robert King, Dominic Pappas, Donald Bunting, Donald Viens, (stock clerk at Beaver). Sitting: Frederick Rotolo, George Senechal (son of George of Formation) and Francis King (brother of Robert.)

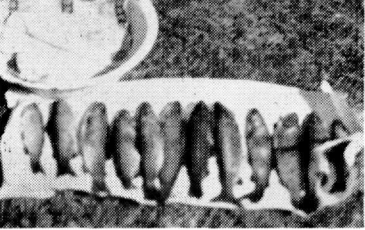
Fishing

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- 3. Length will be the determining factor if two entries weigh the same.
- 4. Fish caught in states other than Massachusetts are eligible.

We shall try to keep you posted about the entries as they come in, so you will know whether or not your catch will qualify. To put you in the mood for more fishing we are printing a picture of Bill Pierras of the Etch House at Marshall Street with a beautiful catch of fish.

Good luck to all you fishermen!



William Pierras with a good catch for any season.

Of special interest to fishermen, an electric refrigerator has been produced that can be placed in the auto's rear compartment to preserve the catch. It weighs 60 pounds and operates off the car battery.

Jet Planes Visit Berkshires

Anyone who happened to be working in his garden or just enjoying the spring sunshine could have seen the four jet planes that zoomed over this section on May 5. They came from the northeast-Dow field near Bangor, Maine—for the formal inspection and review of the Williams College Air R.O.T.C.

At a speed of four hundred miles an hour, they dipped and "flipped" while spectators' hearts stood in their mouths, and, after about five minutes of such antics, roared away over the mountain tops.

SPORTS

The following list is of Men Bowlers who averaged 91 or better during the past season. (Anything below this has not been published and maybe just as well eh! fellas.

Name	Average
J. Spagnola	95.2
B. Fortini	95.1
N. Richardello	94.8
J. Letalien	94.1
S. Ziaja	93.5
E. Dion	93.2
G. Scarbo	93.2
O. Roy	92.7
B. Fitzpatrick	92.6
W. Rogowski	92.2
J. Shields	92.2
H. Tourjee	92.1
L. Vincelette	91.8
P. Davis	91.6
E. Morris	91.6
J. Dean	91.6
A. Montgomery	91.5
F. King	91.3
J. Faustini	91.0
G. Boucher	91.0

SPRAGUE MEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

As of April 22, 1948

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Lunch Room	68	16	.809
I. C. W. No. 2	62	22	.738
Can Shop Pressmen	47	37	.559
Machine Shop	46	38	.547
Centrifuge	38	46	.452
F. P. Drys	36	48	.428
Mach. Shop App.	20	64	.238
Can Shop	19	65	.226

FINAL

Strike Leaders on Each Team

Name and Team	Strikes
J. Lipa, Lunch Room	31
L. Morocco, Machine Shop	20
T. Woloski, I. C. W. No. 2	19
R. Sherman, Can Shop Press	17
A. Montgomery, Centrifuge	16
L. Daignault and J. Spagnola, Can Shop	14
F. Segala and F. Messina, F. P. Drys	11
E. Remillard, Mach. Shop App.	11

Top Ten Bowlers -- April 22, 1948

FINAL STANDINGS

Name and Team	Ave.	Strings
J. Lipa, Lunch Room	102.7	81
A. Girgenti, I.C.W.No.2	99.3	39
P. Sherman, C. S. P.	98.9	78
L. Siciliano, Machine S.	97.0	65
G. Forgea, Lunch Room	97.0	72
F. Fortini, Centrifuge	97.0	57
J. Tolmie, Lunch Room	96.8	74
M. Pierce, Lunch Room	96.6	63
T. Woloski, I.C.W.No.2	96.5	68
F. Santelli, I.C.W.No. 2	95.7	69
L. Morocco, Machine S.	95.4	78
High Team Single, I.C.W. No. 2		555
High Team Total, I.C.W. No. 2		1600
High Individual Single, J. Lipa		150
High Individual Triple, J. Lipa		366

Sprague Men's Bowling League 1947-1948

Team	Pinfall	Average
Lunch Room	40,665	1452.3
I. C. W. No. 2	39,549	1416.0
Machine Shop	39,030	1393.9
Can Shop Pressmen	38,564	1377.2
Centrifuge	37,744	1348.0
F. P. Drys	37,491	1338.9
Machine Shop App.	36,366	1298.7
Can Shop	36,029	1286.7
Total Pinfall		305,438
Total Strikes		594

FINAL TEAM STRIKES (As of April 22, 1948.)

Team	Strikes
Lunch Room	117
I. C. W. No. 2	92
Machine Shop	84
Centrifuge	73
Can Shop Pressmen	72
F. P. Drys	61
Machine Shop App.	59
Can Shop	59

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SPRAGUE BOWLERS



The Winning Team: Beginning second from left: Joe Letalien, George Forgea, Harold Tourjee, John Tolmie, Mike Pierce, Bill Vareski, Joe Lipa. Far left: J. K. Sprague. Far right: R. C. Sprague.



Scene at Bowling Banquet. Left insert Joe Lipa, high scorer; right insert John Tolmie, oldest bowler.

The Sprague Bowling League brought a successful as well as financial season to a close as some 75 bowlers and guests enjoyed a turkey dinner held at Wenzel's farm in Adams.

Paul Fern, who is employed in the Sales Office, was our toastmaster and did a swell job. Maybe Paul doesn't bowl but he knew how to pitch strikes with his witty humor. Seated at the head table were Harry Arbour, I.C.W. No. 2 Union President, who passed out the prizes for Team Strikes; R. C. Sprague, Jr., who spoke briefly; Francis "Tank" Wilson, who represented the *Log* and who was instrumental in procuring the trophy. However, he was unable to present the trophy as it was still enroute at the time but made up somewhat with his *classy* jokes. Mr. R. C. Sprague was a principal speaker and his wit and humor went over big with the fellows. His brother J. K. Sprague followed and thus completed the Sprague Family Picture. His remarks kept the party really alive and may I say at this time that the league was really pleased to have the entire family attend. Our officers at the head table completed this group and they were President—George Scarbo; Vice-President—Nick Richardello; Secretary—Ken Russell; and Treasurer—Lou Siciliano.

After the speakers were finished, prizes for the past season were distributed and the boys really whooped it up when various members bravely came forth to receive their rewards. To Joe Lipa belonged the spoils, for this lad just about copped everything. Joe had the high individual average, the high single, high triple, and the most strikes. He certainly was the

outstanding bowler in our league. Our hats are off once more to our oldest bowler in the league who can still show his heels to the greater majority of the younger fellows — I mean John Tolmie who once more did himself proud for not only was he on the winning team but his scores were a big factor in the victory. His average was 96.8.

Recognized in the hall and called on for bows were — Al Horsfall, *Log* Photographer; Armand Trottier, Central Alleys Proprietor; Clint Sweeney, Former Secretary of the League; and Fred Timoney, who showed Motion Pictures as the concluding part of our festivities.

Missing at our shindig was Mr. E. L. Ward, who had previous obligations to fill and Jack Washburn who was confined to his home because of illness. Jack has always been present at all Sprague Sport activities, and his absence was keenly felt by the entire organization.

New officers were elected for the coming year. They are as follows: President—Joe Lipa; Vice-President—"Pinky" Sherman; Secretary—Bernie Fitzpatrick; and Treasurer—John Tolmie.

At this time and speaking on behalf of the Men's Bowling League I would like to thank all who aided us in again having a successful season. To the Sprague Management and *Log* for the Banquet and Trophy; to the I. C. W. No. 2 for its generous donations for prizes and to the untiring efforts of the Officers and Members — Thanks a Million.

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